

Service Date: August 1, 1997

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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IN THE MATTER Of The Application)	UTILITY DIVISION
Of Cenex, Inc. To Revise Montana)	DOCKET NO. D97.4.80
Tariff P.S.C. No. 7 For The Crude Oil)	ORDER NO. 5992
Gathering Pipelines.)	

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DEFAULT ORDER GRANTING TARIFF REVISION

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On April 28, 1997, the Montana Public Service Commission (PSC) received an Application from Cenex, Inc. (Cenex) for authority to revise its tariff, Montana P.S.C. No. 7, for its Crude Oil Gathering Pipelines. The new tariff, Montana P.S.C. No. 20, will reflect that Farmers Union Central Exchange has changed its name to Cenex, Inc. The new tariff will eliminate the current tariff for Pondera Field to Conrad, Montana, define the types of light and medium crude oil accepted for transportation, and define the American Standard for Testing of Materials (ASTM) Standard Methods by which the basic sediment and water will be determined. This tariff will not change any associated rates.

2. On May 30, 1997, the PSC issued a Notice of Application and Intervention Deadline, requiring intervention by June 30, 1997. The PSC received no petitions for intervention.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The PSC has jurisdiction over parties and proceedings in this matter, pursuant to Title 69, Chapter 13, Montana Code Annotated.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The PSC approves the rates and tariffs in Montana P.S.C. No. 20, which shall be effective for service rendered on and after August 1, 1997.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION at Helena, Montana on this 28th day of July, 1997 by a 5-0 vote.

BY THE ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

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NOTE: Any interested party may request that the Commission reconsider this decision. A motion to reconsider must be filed within ten (10) days. See 38.2.4806, ARM.